## **Order**

V

Michigan Supreme Court Lansing, Michigan

May 7, 2009

Marilyn Kelly, Chief Justice

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Michael F. Cavanagh Elizabeth A. Weaver Maura D. Corrigan Robert P. Young, Jr. Stephen J. Markman Diane M. Hathaway, Justices

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE and MICHIGAN APPLE COMMITTEE, Plaintiffs-Appellants,

SC: 137552 COA: 277743

Kent CC: 05-011315-CZ

APPLETREE MARKETING, L.L.C. and STEVEN KROPF,

Defendants-Appellees.

On order of the Court, the motions for leave to file briefs amicus curiae are GRANTED. The application for leave to appeal the September 16, 2008 judgment of the Court of Appeals is considered and, it is GRANTED. The parties shall include among the issues to be briefed: (1) whether the plaintiffs may simultaneously pursue claims against Appletree Marketing, LLC for alleged violations of the Agricultural Commodities Marketing Act, MCL 290.651 *et seq.*, and for common law fraud and statutory conversion under MCL 600.2919a; and (2) whether, under the circumstances of this case, the plaintiffs may pursue claims for common law and statutory conversion against Appletree's principal, Steven Kropf.

TANSING.

I, Corbin R. Davis, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

May 7, 2009

Clerk